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IN RE APPLICATION OF :  
YOSHITO OKI, ET AL. : EXAMINER: B.D. WALCK  
SERIAL NO: 10/587,568 :  
FILED: JANUARY 10, 2007 : GROUP ART UNIT: 1736  
FOR: HIGH STRENGTH ALUMINUM ALLOY FIN MATERIAL FOR HEAT  
EXCHANGER AND METHOD FOR PRODUCTION THEREOF

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

Responsive to the Office Action dated June 27, 2011, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following remarks.

Claims 36-62 remain pending.

The rejections of the claims under 35 U.S.C. §102(b)/§103(a) set forth at paragraphs (8) and (9) of the Office Action over Kuroda are respectfully traversed. Kuroda is not available as prior art against the present application.

The present application is a National Stage of International Application No. PCT/JP05/01195, filed on January 28, 2005.

The publication date of Kuroda is June 24, 2004.

Since June 24, 2004 is less than one year before January 28, 2005, Kuroda is not available as prior art against the present application under 35 U.S.C. §102(b).